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Pyidaungsu Hlutaw continues debate on constitution

Nay Pyi Taw, 19 Nov — The Pyidaungsu Hlutaw session on Wednesday continued its debate on the report of the Constitutional Amendment Implementation Committee.

Representative U Myat Ko of Sagaing Region Constituency- 12 was in favour of the system of appointing union ministers and deputy ministers from parliamentary representatives, saying that only then will the union ministers and deputy ministers be able to work in the interests of the people.

Representative Daw Khin Thanda of Tada-U Constituency said that it is necessary to draw a timetable to undertake amendments of the constitution in six months ahead of the 2015 general elections by enacting a law. She highlighted that today, all are to focus on peace and democracratization of the nation by setting aside their interests. All the citizens have the rights to enjoy the rights of fair and standardized democracy.

Defence Services Personnel Representative Lt- Col Thein Htut preferred conferring some legislative powers to state and region governments to contribute to equality and national unity of ethnic national races while another defence services personnel representative, Lt-Col Pe Kyaing, said he was against the insertion of the phrase “with the consent of the Pyidaungsu Hlutaw” into Section 40 (c) of the constitution as doing so could hinder the commander in chief of defence services from exercising his powers in a state of emergency conferred by provisions of the constitution.

Daw Mi Myint Than of Ye Constituency encouraged the representatives to amend Section 436 of the constitution while Representative Dr Aye Maung of Rakhine State Constituency- 1the representatives to try their best for emerging a constitution which is the most suitable to this day.

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